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### **Executive Gardner Provides Update on Lake Linganore Dredging Project** *Design Process Is Completed through Final Stages . . .*

FREDERICK, MD – County Executive Jan Gardner today announced that the Lake Linganore Dredging Project is moving forward on schedule to ultimately restore water depths in the upper portion of the lake by removing up to 350,000 cubic yards of sediment. The lake serves as a major water supply for The City of Frederick and as a back-up supply for Frederick County.

As part of her emphasis on an open and transparent government, Executive Gardner announced that the Dredging Project design process is completed through the final stages and permitting. In addition, the bid phase and contractor selection will occur in the next three months.

“This is an excellent example of county government working together with the city and our citizens on a major water-supply project that has long-term benefits for the community,” commented Executive Gardner. “I especially want to thank our staff and the contractors for the careful planning and execution of the Lake Linganore Dredging Project, keeping it on schedule as we work toward improvements to the Lake.”

Since its construction in 1972, Lake Linganore, a man-made, 209-acre lake, has been losing water storage capacity due to sedimentation. This sediment accumulation has led to a loss in water storage capacity needed by The City of Frederick and Frederick County, and has severely restricted access to the Lake for many homeowners in the area. Sediment will be dredged from the lake in the area upstream of Boyers Mill Road, which is especially susceptible to sediment infill, losing approximately 65 percent of the water volume.

Frederick County, the City of Frederick and the Lake Linganore Association have a three-party agreement to remove sediment to improve water capacity and restore access. The agreement allocates the cost of the dredging project among the three entities with the city funding 50 percent, the county 25 percent and the association 25 percent. The entire project is expected to cost approximately \$15 million and take several years to permit and complete the dredging. Construction costs are estimated to be \$14.4 million.

For more information, visit [www.FrederickCountyMD.gov/LinganoreDredge](http://www.FrederickCountyMD.gov/LinganoreDredge) or contact Special Administrative Director Michael Marschner, Office of the County Executive, at 301-600-1133 or via e-mail at [mmarschner@FrederickCountyMD.gov](mailto:mmarschner@FrederickCountyMD.gov).

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